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I wish to comment on the proposals to include Brookside Business Park in the plan under Category 3 (activities requiring enclosed industrial premises (small scale)).

Brookside is located on the outskirts of the rural village of Swallowfield in an area prone to flooding (the area has been given the highest risk category by the Environment Agency). Access to the business park is off a rural B road one end of which comes through the village and the other end of which is over a bridge which cannot be used by articulated lorries.

The site would be wholly unsuitable for any scale of waste management (and the resultant increase in HGV traffic) because of the rural location and access and the flooding risk.

For these reasons, including Brookside Business Park in the plan would not meet the tests of soundness since:

- It would not be based on a strategy that can be delivered sustainably.
- It is not based upon a robust and credible evidence base and is not the most appropriate strategy against all reasonable alternatives.
- It would be neither effective nor deliverable.

Regards

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